

Grand Rapids Planning Commission

Minutes September 8, 2008

Present: Chairman Raymond Weber; members;, ,Tom Arnold, Jeanne Fehrman, Mike Speich, Lori Edwards and Dave Alft. Tom Arnold moved, Mike Speich second, unanimously dispensed with reading and approved August 11, 2008 minutes.

- 1. Doug Hanneman:** 7111 Townline Rd., Certified Survey map dividing parcel #07-01041 into lot #1 and outlot #1.

Speich moved, Arnold second to recommend approval to the Town Board of the CSM with the understanding that Outlot #1 be joined with parcel 07-01038, owned by Sophie Hanneman, creating one parcel to avoid a nonconforming parcel (landlocked). Vote Unanimous

- 2. Brian Weigand “We Be Jammin Music, LLC”:** 3410 Bohn Dr., has presented a Land Use Permit for a retail and music store. A change in hours of operation was discussed.

Speich moved, Arnold second to grant approval of the Land Use Permit to Brian Weigand of We Be Jammin Music, LLC for a retail and music store at 3410 Bohn Dr. with the stipulation that a sign permit be acquired. Vote Unanimous

- 3. Peter Shau – Alltel Wireless :** 2710 64th St. S., has presented a Conditional Use Permit application for co-locating an antenna with a 11’5” X 20’ communications equipment enclosure. Discussion ensued as to a communication business leaving and not removing existing equipment. The Planning Commission will look into requesting a performance bond to cover situations such as this. The Commission will talk at more length to the Town Board. Also mentioned was the future capability of the existing 180’ tower. Peter Shau felt there is still room for at least 3 (three) more providers. Shau will be using electrical underground wiring.

Edwards moved, Alft second to recommend to the Town Board approval of the Conditional Use Permit for an additional antenna with an 11’5” x 20’ communications equipment enclosure, requiring an electrical permit as specified on plans submitted. Vote Unanimous

- 4. Zoning Administrators Report:** Fuehrer reported that she had received a seminar invitation for Airport Operations and Land Use to Commission members, Town Board members and the Zoning Administrator.

Speich moved, Edwards second to recommend to the Town Board that Fuehrer attend the 2-day seminar. Vote Unanimous.

Fuehrer handed out more maps showing history and future concepts of road congestion in the Wisconsin Rapids area. The maps are in conjunction with the East Arterial Road project. Fehrman has also brought to the attention of the Planning Commission a Planning Book from the Department of Transportation which details several aspects of the project. With this book there is a request that if the Town of Grand Rapids has any opinions they should be presented by October 10, 2008 on Town letterhead. The

Planning book will be passed around the Planning Commission and the request or suggestions will be submitted to Fuehrer and she in turn will see that they get to Fehrman to present to the Town Board.

Fuehrer reported on her attendance at the Wisconsin Rapids Planning Commission. Highlights are as follows:

1. Bassuener Cranberry and Grand Rapids Cold Storage has requested direct annexation into the City of Wisconsin Rapids, offering to pay a portion of the sewer plant expansion in Wisconsin Rapids.
2. Citizen asking for non-profit signage to be free in the city
3. Discussed possibility of having the public hearing portion of a CUP at the Planning Commission level.

Fuehrer reported on status of the following properties:

- ☐ 1831 Shamrock Ln., individual still residing in garage, he has been cited. Fuehrer has received a letter from attorney denying charges.
- ☐ 7420 Dewberry Ln., have not had owner contact to get a building permit, will be issuing a citation tomorrow
- ☐ 2 (two) properties at 2010 36th St. S. (disabled vehicles and living in tent) and 3631 Wolosek Ave. (over 30 unlicensed vehicles in various states of disrepair) owned by the same individual, owner has until October 1, 2008, to come into compliance or be cited.
- ☐ 6111 Pointe Haven Pl., owner has not contacted Fuehrer to obtain permits to bring foundation into compliance or to obtain the building permit

6. Other Public Input: Chairman Weber has suggested we reopen 2 (two) files (6620 Plover Rd. & 4420 Plover Rd.) to see if they are indeed in compliance.

Again the performance bond issue was brought up in regards to particular land uses that may have a negative impact on the town if the intended use is not adhered to.

The Planning Commission has agreed that we should start addressing the alternate energy sources (such as wind, solar, outdoor wood stoves, geothermal and biomass) and the restrictions that may be required.

Tentative meeting date---September 22, 2008 Arnold moved, Edwards second, adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Minutes by Planning Commission Secretary

Lorelei Fuehrer